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SUBJ: SRI LANKA PM'S VISIT TO PAKISTAN

SUMMARY: PAKS WENT TO UNUSUAL LENGTH TO PLAY UP BANDARANAIKE VISIT. COMMUNIQUE INCLUDED GOP REENDORSEMENT OF SLG INDIAN OCEAN ZONE OF PEACE PROPOSAL BUT STOPPED SHORT OF ANY ENDORSEMENT BY SLG OF PAK CAMPAIGN FOR NUCLEAR FREE ZONE IN SOUTH ASIA. END SUMMARY.

1. PAKS WENT TO UNUSUAL LENGTHS TO PLAY UP VISIT OF SRI LANKA PM BANDARANAIKE AND TO IMPRESS ON HER AND OTHERS IMPORTANCE THEY ATTACHE TO PAK-SRI LANKA RELATIONS AND TO ROLE OF SRI LANKA AS FRIENDLY SOUTH ASIAN POWER. IN-DEPTH MEDIA COVERAGE OF HER MOVEMENTS AROUND PAKISTAN AND SPECIAL NEWSPAPER SUPPLEMENTARIES AND EDITORIALS ON THE PM, HER COUNTRY, AND REAL AND IMAGINED  
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SIMILARITIES BETWEEN ITS POLICIES AND GOP'S, WERE STANDARD

FARE DURING HER FIVE DAYS HERE. SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE WAS ATTACHED TO FACT THAT SHE WAS ONE OF FEW FOREIGN LEADERS INVITED TO ADDRESS PAK PARLIAMENT. VISIT CONCLUDED EARLY THIS MORNING WITH HER DEPARTURE FOR COLOMBO FROM KARACHI AND ISSUANCE OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE.

2. COMMUNIQUE INCLUDED CUSTOMARY REAFFIRMATION OF SOLIDARITY WITH PEOPLE OF THIRD WORLD, FULL SUPPORT FOR AFRICANS AND OTHERS IN STRUGGLE AGAINST RACISM AND COLONIALISM, AND ADHERENCE TO PRINCIPLES OF UN CHARTER. TWO PMS AGREED THAT "VACATION OF ALL ARAB TERRITORIES OCCUPIED BY ISRAEL AND THE FULL RESTITUTION OF THE NATIONAL RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE WERE ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITES OF A PERMANENT SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST". THEY EXPRESSED DEEP SATISFACTION OVER PAK-SRI LANKA TRADE EXPANSION, ANNOUNCED DECISION TO ESTABLISH JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, AND CALLED FOR GREATER COOPERATION AMONG ALL THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES TO OVERCOME THE ADVERSE EFFECTS OF OIL PRICE RISES AND OTHER RECENT DEVELOPMENTS ON THE ECONOMICS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

3. ON SOUTH ASIAN POLITICAL MATTERS, THE TWO PMS "EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION OVER THE PROGRESS SO FAR ACHIEVED TOWARDS THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROPOSAL INITIATED BY SRI LANKA FOR THE DECLARATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INDIAN OCEAN AS A ZONE OF PEACE, FREE FROM GREAT POWER RIVALRY, TENSION AND MILITARY ESCALATION." (THEY DID NOT MENTION DIEGO GARCIA.) THEY ALSO NOTED THAT "ALL LITTORAL AND HINTERLAND STATES SHOULD COORDINATE THEIR EFFORTS TO REALIZE THEIR COMMITMENT TO A POLICY OF DENUCLEARIZATION WHICH WOULD ENTAIL THE PERMANENT RENUNCIATION OF A NUCLEAR WEAPON OPTION AND THE DINIAL OF THE USE OF THEIR TERRITORIES, TERRITORIAL WATERS AND AIR SPACE TO NUCLEAR WEAPONS OF OTHER STATES." COMMUNIQUE STOPPED SHORT, HOWEVER, OF ENDORSEMENT BY SLG OF PAK CAMPAIGN FOR NUCLEAR FREE ZONE IN SOUTH ASIA (SANFZ), STATING MERELY THAT BHUTTO HAD EXPLAINED TO MRS. BANDARAANAIAKE INITIATIVE GOP HAD DECIDED TO TAKE AT 29TH UNGA TOWARDS THIS END.

4. WE DO NOT KNOW AT THIS POINT WHETHER PAKS REALISTICALLY HOPED TO EXTRACT SUCH A COMMITMENT FROM MRS. BANDARANAIAKE, RECOGNIZING AS THEY MUST HAVER HER SENSIBILITIES TO INDIAN VIEWS  
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ON THE MATTER. THE PUBLIC RECORD CERTAINLY SUGGESTS THAT THE PAKS STRESSED TO HER THEIR CONCERN ABOUT INDIAN NUCLEAR POTENTIAL. (THE EXPLOSION ITSELF IS MENTIONED ONLY IN PASSING IN THE COMMUNIQUE IN THE CONTEXT OF BHUTTO'S EXPLANATION FOR THE INTERRUPTION OF THE SIMLA PROCESS.) IN HIS REMAKRS INTRODUCING MRS. BANDARANAIAKE TO THE PAK PARLIAMENT, FOR EXAMPLE, BHUTTO NOTED THAT "OF COURSE ALL STATES CAN CLAIM TO BE PEACE-LOVING BUT THE CLAIM IS VALID ONLY FOR

STATES WHICH...WORK ACTIVELY TO REMOVE THE SHADOW OF THE NUCLEAR THREAT WHICH DARKENS MANKIND'S HORIZON." FOR HER PART, MRS. BANDARANAIKE PREFERRED IN HER PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS TO FOCUS EXCLUSIVELY ON THE UNDESIRABILITY OF BIG POWER RIVALRY IN THE AREA, AND IN HER PARLIAMENTARY PRESENTATION SHE POINTEDLY MENTIONED THAT SRI LANKA'S RELATIONS WITH ALL THE COUNTRIES IN THE REGION HAVE BEEN MOST CORDIAL, FRIENDLY AND GOOD-NEIGHBORLY.

5. WE EXPECT TO HAVE FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE BANDARANAIKE VISIT AS THE PARTICIPANTS RETURN TO THEIR OFFICES, AND WILL, OF COURSE, BE INTERESTED IN ANY WORD THAT EMBASSY COLOMBO MAY DEVELOP.  
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